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SUBJECT:

ACTION:

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CASC (SULLIVAN, JOHN J.)
W/W: JOHN J. SULLIVAN

SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE

UNCLAS SAN SALVADOR

REF: SAN SALVADOR 6513

DEPARTMENT OF STATE A/CDC/MR

REVIEWED BY

DATE MAR 14 1984

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1. Post contacted [REDACTED] (reftel) and
obtained more information about body [REDACTED] saw [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] informed us that body was picked up by Santa Ana authorities for burial.

2. We contacted Dept. of Transito, Santa Ana, and spoke to Pedro Samuel Rodriguez, Secretary of the Juzgado de Transito, Santa Ana. According to Mr. Rodriguez a number of bodies were found in the Canton El Matazano, Dept. of Santa Ana on Aug. 21, 1981. All the corpses were beheaded. Rodriguez said one of the corpses was that of a tall, fair skinned man with a big belly. According to Rodriguez the body was found wearing red bikini underpants and a pink shirt with the label Aries Carrier, Georgetown. Rodriguez informed us that the Juzgado 3o. de Paz, Santa Ana had

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jurisdiction over the recovered bodies.

3. Conoff visited the Juzgado 3o. de Paz, Santa Ana and learned that on Aug. 21, 13 beheaded corpses were found in El Matazano but only 4 heads were recovered. The records show one of the bodies was that of a white male, described as tall and fat with a lot of body hair. The clothing the corpse was supposedly wearing was the same, except the color of the shirt was said to be light blue, not pink. None of the recovered heads belonged to this particular corpse. The body and clothing were buried in a common grave along with the 12 other bodies in the Santa Ana Cemetery.

4. Conoff traveled to neighboring town of Chalchuapa after learning a number of heads without bodies were recovered. He spoke to Juez de Paz and was informed none of ^{the heads} ~~they~~ looked like John Sullivan.

5. Dept. requested to contact family to determine if John Sullivan owned red bikini ^{underpants} ~~XXXXXX~~ and/or pink/blue sport-shirt with label Aries Carrier Georgetown.

6. Please advise.

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